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NOTIFICATION

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Whereas allegations have been raised by the members of the general public regarding the rather large number of accidents in the various hydro electric projects in the State resulting in death or injury to the workers or members of the public;

And whereas the State Government having been deeply concerned about the accidents in the hydro electric projects resulting in death or injury and the aforesaid accidents being a definite matter of public importance, has decided to appoint a Commission of Inquiry for the purpose of making inquiry into the said accidents;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of Section 3 read with sub-section (1) of Section 5 of the Commission of Inquiry Act, 1952 (60 of 1952), the State Government hereby appoints a Commission of Inquiry consisting of Hon'ble Shri R.K. Patra, retired Chief Justice of the High Court of Sikkim to inquire into and report in respect of the following matters within six months from the date of publication of the Notification namely: -

- (i) accidents in the various hydro electric projects in the State resulting in death or injury to the workers of members of the public during the last two years; and
- (ii) recommend measures to avoid such accidents in future; and
- (iii) any other matter connected with or incidental thereto as the Commission may consider appropriate including any suggestions thereof.
- 2. Further the State Government hereby directs that the provisions of sub-sections (2), (3), (4) and (5) of Section 5 of the said Act shall apply to the Commission as the State Government is of the opinion that having regard to the nature of the inquiry to be made and other circumstances, those provisions shall be made applicable to the Commission.
- This Commission shall also perform such other functions as are necessary or incidental to the inquiry.
- 4. The headquarters of the Commission shall be at Gangtok, but the Commission may hold inquiry at any other place or places as may be necessary for the purpose of inquiry.
- 5. The Secretary Energy and Power department, Government of Sikkim shall be the Secretary to the Commission.

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